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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ACTING DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: Guidance for Nonmilitary Planning

1. The Office of Emergency Planning, on direction of the President, conducts an annual review of a paper outlining the assumptions upon which agencies and departments of the government should base their nonmilitary planning for contingencies arising from extraordinary international situations. This Agency is represented on the Committee which reviews this paper and the undersigned has served on this Committee in recent weeks. A draft of the revised paper has been prepared and distributed to the member departments and agencies for final comments and concurrences.

2. At the suggestion of the Executive Director of the Agency, I sent copies to the four Deputy Directors for their comments. DD/I, DD/P and DD/S have approved the draft as submitted. DD/S&T had two specific comments, one relating to an implication regarding Communist China's naval capabilities and military policy, the other relating to the possibility that chemical warfare weapons might become more important in future years. I attach a copy of DD/S&T's comments.

3. The DD/S&T comments should certainly be borne in mind in future reviews of this paper, which will occur annually at a minimum. I do not believe, however, that it is necessary to reopen the drafting of this paper, which has been sent out for final approval. Accordingly, I recommend that you sign the attached letter to the Director of the Office of Emergency Planning approving the draft for this Agency.

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